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For: METHOD OF USING A MASK PROGRAMMED KEY TO SECURELY CONFIGURE A FIELD PROGRAMMABLE GATE ARRAY

☒ [X] This application claims priority from each of the following Application Nos./filing dates:
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☒ [X] 1 Title page
☒ [X] 28 page(s) of specification
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